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SUBJ: BLACK AFRICAN NATIONS RESPOND UNCHARACTERISTICALLY WELL TO  
AMERICAN APPEALS ON ZIONISM, BUT CAUSE IS PROBABLY LOST

1. BEGINNING FRIDAY OCTOBER 3, WHEN THE LINKAGE OF ZIONISM  
AND RACISM WAS FIRST INTRODUCED INTO THE THIRD COMMITTEE,  
THE AMERICAN DELEGATION, WITH LEONARD GARMENT AS ITS  
SPOKESMAN, HAS MADE A VIGOROUS EFFORT TO EXPLAIN TO BLACK  
AFRICAN DELEGATES THAT THE DECADE TO ELIMINATE RACISM  
WOULD BE JEOPARDIZED EVEN LOST IF THE LINKAGE REMAINED.  
THIS HAS TAKEN THE FORM NOW OF A 3RD RESOLUTION ON "RACIAL  
DISCRIMINATION" WHICH "DETERMINES THAT ZIONISM IS A FORM  
OF RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION". WE HAVE MADE CLEAR  
THAT IF THIS RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED WE WOULD OPPOSE ALL  
THREE RESOLUTIONS IN PLENARY AS WOULD ALL (OR NEARLY ALL)  
OF THE EC-9 NATIONS.

2. YESTERDAY WE GOT THE FIRST RESULTS OF OUR EFFORTS.  
AS THE ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH ON THE EVENT STATES  
THE "US AND WESTERN EUROPE'S COMMON MARKET VOTED AGAINST  
AND THE AFRICAN GROUP WAS UNCHARACTERISTICALLY SPLIT THREE  
WAYS. THUS THE THIRD WORLD-COMMUNIST MAJORITY FELL FAR  
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SHORT OF PREVIOUS ANTI-ISRAELI VOTES: THE ASSEMBLY'S  
1973 VOTE OF 88-7 CONDEMNING AN ALLEGED "UNHOLY  
ALLIANCE" OF ZIONISM AND RACISM; IT 1974 VOTE OF 85-8  
FAVORING PALESTINIAN RIGHTS; 105-4 INVITING THE  
PALESTINIAN LIBERATION ORGANIZATION PLO HERE AND 95-17  
GIVING IT OBSERVER STATUS.

"THE CONTROVERSIAL PROPOSAL WAS SPONSORED BY ALL

ARAB COUNTRIES PLUS GUINEA, AFGHANISTAN AND CUBA. BUT LIBERIA AND MALAWI VOTED AGAINST TAKING IT UP; BOTSWANA, BURUNDI, ETHIOPIA, GAMBIA, THE VIORY COAST, LESOTHO, MARURITUS, RWANDA, SWAZILAND, ZAIRE AND ZAMBIA ABSTAINED, AND CAPE VERDE, THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC, CHAD AND NIGER WERE ABSENT. THE IDEA OF LINKING ZIONISM WITH RACISM, PUSHED HERE BY THE PLO, RAN INTO TROUBLE BECAUSE THE WEST TOOK A FIRM STAND AGAINST IT IN COMMITTEE DEBATE AND THREATENED TO WITHDRAW SUPPORT FROM A RESOLUTION CONDEMNING RACISM AND APARTHEID."

3. THE VOTES ON THE PROCEDURAL DRAFT RESOLUTION EQUATING ZIONISM AND RACISM BEFOORE THE THIRD COMMITTEE YESTERDAY WERE 75 IN FAVOR--22 OPPOSED AND 26 ABSTENTIONS. IT IS NOT LIKELY THAT WE CAN PREVENT THE ADOPTION OF THE ANTI-ZIONISM MEASURE, WHICH ALMOST CERTAINLY WILL BE A CALAMITY FOR THE UN. HOWEVER WE HAVE MADE THIS EXPECTATION CLEAR AND WE HAVE HAD--AGAIN TO QUOTE--AN"UNCHARACTERISTICALLY" GOOD RESPONSE FROM SOME AFRICAN STATES.

4. WE FEEL THAT WHEN THE FINAL OUTCOME IS SETTLED IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR OUR EMBASSIES TO MAKE KNOWN TO THESE STATES THAT THEY SHOULD REALIZE WHAT A DISASTER WAS BEING CREATED FOR THEM BY THE COMMUNISTS AND THE ARABS. I DON'T THINK WE NEED THANK ANYBODY WHO VOTES WITH US. WHAT SHOULD BE MADE CLEAR IS THAT AFRICANS LOSE WHEN THE UN LOSES. BUT WE SHOULD TELL THEM THAT AT LEAST THEY REASONED CORRECTLY AND ACTED IN THEIR OWN SELF-INTEREST.  
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